

WCS Brief for 9/15 CC Meeting:

We had a good discussion regarding the FY21 work plan and what we would like to accomplish in FY 22.

- Exercises –
 - Develop a comprehensive list of exercises & post on websites (incl. dates, times, scenario(s), participants, etc.
 - Collect Lessons learned to share w/ NTHMP Partners
 - WCS members identify what type of information/resources need to support exercises in their jurisdiction (if any). Determine how this can be incorporated into future exercise development/implementation in FY22.

WCS Added new Projects to Workplan for FY21:

- Hazard Simplification –
 - WCS members will collect information from respective jurisdiction related to monetary and programmatic impacts of proposed change
 - WCS will submit document to NOAA containing collective feedback from WCS members by Summer 2021.
- Breakpoints
 - Discussion concluded that many NTHMP members may not be aware of the Breakpoints identified in their jurisdiction and what they represent.
 - PTWC starting discussions with island states/territories about subdividing coasts vs the current "all or nothing" approach
 - WCS made a request to the members of the Committee scheduling the monthly NTHMP seminars being held in-lieu of the summer meeting to provide time for NOAA to present information on the Breakpoints (and Forecast areas/polygons)
 - Information in presentation to include:
 - What are Breakpoints?
 - How do they function?
 - What are the limitations?
 - Can more be added? (Impacts)

- Do states/territories need to make changes? Can this be done? What makes sense?
 - How NOAA utilizes the warning system/communicates warnings
 - WEA polygons
 - Special procedures
- Communication Products
 - TWCs will conduct internal review of communication products to determine effectiveness and identify any needed changes. (FY21)
 - Once this process is complete, WCS will coordinate with TWCs to identify opportunities for coordination with other messaging (local, EEW, etc.) and discuss concerns/opportunities for additional updates (FY22)
- Response Protocols
 - TWCs are reviewing policies/procedures that govern tsunami operations (FY21)
 - TWCs will engage with state & territories following internal review (FY22)